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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 1, 1990. A new abstract is attached hereto.

REMARKS

Pursuant to the February 1, 1990 Office Action, prosecution on the merits has been closed in accordance with practice under ex parte Quayle with all claims allowed. The only formality left to bring the case into condition for allowance apparently is provision of an abstract. Applicant submitted an abstract with the application as originally filed. However, in a telephone conversation on February 8, 1990 between Examiner Kibby and undersigned counsel, it was learned that the abstract was no longer connected with the case by the time of the Examiner's review of the application and issuance of the Office Action. Applicant is grateful that Examiner took the time to discuss the matter of the abstract with undersigned counsel so that Applicant could confirm that the abstract was